

## FISCAL NOTE

TO: Chief Clerk of the Senate  
Chief Clerk of the House

FROM: James A. Davenport, Executive Director

DATE: February 22, 1996

SUBJECT: **SB 2398 - HB 2346**

This bill, if enacted, will transfer the State Medical Examiner to a new Post Mortem Examination Department. All current responsibilities of the current medical examiner would be vested in the new department. The bill authorizes an increase in fees charged for autopsy reports and allows the medical examiner to directly subpoena medical and hospital records.

The fiscal impact of this bill is estimated to increase net state expenditures by \$200,000 as follows:

Full-Time Medical Examiner	\$130,000
Admin. Assistant	21,312
Benefits	36,315
Office Space & Supplies	37,400
Current Program Costs	592,500
<hr/> Total Expenditures	<hr/> \$817,527
 Current Funding	 617,500
<hr/> Net Expenditures	<hr/> <hr/> \$200,027

The fiscal impact of this bill is also estimated to increase state revenues because of the increase in fees for copies of reports but the amount cannot be determined. However, the amount of new revenues is estimated to be not significant because of the small number of requests for the reports.

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James A. Davenport". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "J".

James A. Davenport, Executive Director